

SUMMARY: The document below summarizes a letter dated 24 June 1571 written from the court at Westminster by Sir George Delves to Edward Manners (1549–1587), 3rd Earl of Rutland.

Sir George Delves, gentleman pensioner, was the son of Sir Henry Delves (d. 2 August 1560) and Cecily Broke (buried 3 January 1562/3), the daughter and coheir of Sir Richard Broke (d.1529), Chief Baron of the Exchequer. For Sir Richard Broke, see the History of Parliament entry at:

<http://www.historyofparliamentonline.org/volume/1509-1558/member/broke-richard-1474-1529>

For the Delves pedigree, see Ormerod, George, *The History of the County Palatine and City of Chester*, (London: Lackington, Hughes, 1819), Vol. III, pp. 268 at:

<http://archive.org/stream/historyofcountyp03orme#page/268/mode/2up>

For the will, dated 29 January 1571 and proved 30 September 1573, of Sir George Delves' brother, John Delves (d. 13 June 1571), who married Mary Sneyd, the aunt of Oxford's second wife, Elizabeth Trentham, see 'Remains Historical and Literary' on this website.

See also the Wikipedia article on Sir George Delves:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/George_Delves.

The summary of the letter below is taken from *Historical Manuscripts Commission. Twelfth Report, Appendix, Part IV. The Manuscripts of His Grace the Duke of Rutland, G.C.B., Preserved at Belvoir Castle*, (London: Her Majesty's Stationery Office, 1888), Vol. I, pp. 93-4 at:

<https://archive.org/details/hists52199677/page/n119/mode/2up>

There is no man of life and agility in every respect in court but the Earl of Oxford.